

December 9, 2011

The Glastonbury Town Council
2155 Main Street
Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re: Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up-to-date on various topics.

1. **Electric Purchase:**

The Town and Board of Education recently participated in a competitive bidding process to extend electric generation costs for 2 years. Currently Town and Education are entering the 3rd year of a 5 year rate lock. The "blend and extend" bid process resulted in annual savings estimated at \$135,000 (\$45,000+/- Town, \$90,000+/- Education).

2. **Budget Schedule:**

The Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for the evening of Thursday, January 26th and the annual CIP Workshop for early evening on Wednesday, January 18th.

3. **Energy Incentive Payments:**

Glastonbury recently received payments totaling \$21,500 from the CT Energy Efficiency Fund for energy efficiency improvements at Fire Company 2 and 3 and Buttonball School.

4. **Debris:**

Tree trimming within the town right-of-way is essentially complete involving 11,500+/- trees with broken and hanging limbs. Satellite collection sites at Rotary Fields (filled), Arbor Acres (debris management operation site), and Riverfront Park are now closed. Curb side collection is underway and could be complete by the week of December 12th. Removal of broken and hanging limbs within town parks will begin the week of December 12th. Volumes are exceeding estimates and work is ongoing to identify cost savings and keep overall costs within the \$2.5 million appropriation. At this point the plan is to end the fee waiver at Bulky Waste effective calendar year end. Lastly, debris located along state roads including Manchester Road, Hebron Avenue and Route 17, was removed by state contractor. There are no plans for the Town contractor to replicate this work along state roads although this request has been brought to my office. Should Council feel otherwise, please let me know.

5. **Purple Heart Homes:**

Per the attached, a kick-off event is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 2012. I will confirm time, format, etc. and advise.

I will be happy to review the preceding and any other items Tuesday evening.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Johnson
Town Manager

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